



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
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WATER DIVISION

April 20, 2020

Reply to  
Attn of: 19-C04

Mr. Francis Somday  
Executive Director  
Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation  
PO Box 150  
Nespelem, Washington 99155

*Sent via electronic mail only to  
francis.somday@colvilletribes.com*

Re: Reissuance of NPDES Permits for four net pens in Rufus Woods Lake  
Pacific Aquaculture, Inc. – Site 1 NPDES Permit #WA0026336  
Pacific Aquaculture, Inc. – Site 2 NPDES Permit #WA0026328  
Pacific Aquaculture, Inc. – Site 3 NPDES Permit #WA0026719  
Faith Frontier Ministries - NPDES Permit #WA0026379

Dear Mr. Somday:

I am writing to thank you and the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation for participating with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in the reissuance of NPDES permits for the above referenced facilities. The NPDES permits will become effective on May 1, 2020 and will expire on April 30, 2025. The final permit documents are transmitted with this letter. The permit documents may also be downloaded at this web address: <https://www.epa.gov/npdes-permits/washington-npdes-permits>.

The Watershed Management Section of the Environmental Trust Department provided the EPA with a Clean Water Act (CWA) § 401 Certification for the permits. The EPA appreciates the attention of Bessie Wright who started the process and especially the efforts of Doug Marconi who worked closely with the EPA permit writer.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (206) 553-1855 if you or your tribal government have any questions or concerns regarding this letter. The EPA staff contact for this permitting action is Cindi Godsey. You can reach her at [godsey.cindi@epa.gov](mailto:godsey.cindi@epa.gov), (206) 553-1676 or (800) 424-4372 ext. 1676.

Sincerely,

Daniel D. Opalski  
Director

cc: *via electronic-mail*  
Douglas Marconi, Jr, Watershed Program Manager